

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroyuki YOSHIDA et al.

Application No.: 10/825,377

Filed: April 16, 2004

For: ELECTROSTATIC CAPACITANCE DETECTING DEVICE



Group Art Unit: 2858

Examiner: Unknown

Docket No.: 119331

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the reference(s) listed on the attached PTO-1449. Unless otherwise indicated herein, one copy of each reference is attached. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the reference(s) be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. The reference was cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign Office Action is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 3. European Patent No. EP 1 041 356 A1 is the English-language counterpart of Chinese Patent Application Publication No. CN 1268719A.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Oliff

Registration No. 27,075

John S. Kern

Registration No. 42,719

JAO:JSK/kap

Date: June 16, 2005

**OLIFF & BERRIDGE, PLC**  
**P.O. Box 19928**  
**Alexandria, Virginia 22320**  
**Telephone: (703) 836-6400**

**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT USE  
AUTHORIZATION**

Please grant any extension  
necessary for entry;

Charge any fee due to our  
Deposit Account No. 15-0461

Sheet 1 of 1

Form PTO-1449 (REV. 8-83)		U.S. Department of Commerce PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY DOCKET NO. 119331		APPLICATION NO. 10/825,377	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  (Use several sheets if necessary)				APPLICANTS Hiroyuki YOSHIDA et al.			
				FILING DATE April 16, 2004		GROUP 2858	
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUB CLASS	
		CN 1268719A	10/4/2000	China			
		EP 1 041 356 A1	10/4/2000	EPO			
OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)							
EXAMINER					DATE CONSIDERED		
Examiner: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.							

Date: June 16, 2005